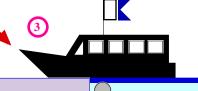
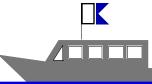
15 minutes after the diver swam beneath the ice, the tender became concerned that he was unable to live boat the diver as instructed.

The tender attempts to recall the diver by sound, revving the boats engine, and by ramming the boat into the pack ice.









After the diver failed to respond to the sounds generated to recall him to the surface, the tender calls the Coast Guard by cellular phone for assistance. The diver is found, out of air, dry suit inflated, approximately 300 feet from the edge of the pack ice when a Coast Guard vessel moved into the ice to break the pack up after a search by divers.

Catch bag line and toggle

10 minutes into the dive, the tender observed the diver's catch bag toggle slip beneath the pack ice. A second hand on the boat reported that the diver had indicated his intention to explore the area under the ice.

Diver submerges on sixth tank of day. Diver's intention is to continue exploratory dive of area.

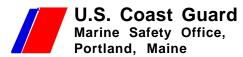
Previous dives had occurred 50-100 feet off edge of shore fast pack ice.

33 fsw

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40 fsw

laden catch bag



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